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This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 25, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Please amend the application as follows:

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Mr. Rimell.

The proposed Amendment is attached. I look forward to our telephone interview January 5 at 2:00 pm. I plan to call you then.

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